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## NO CLASH WITH DEWEY

Denial of Sensational Stories  
Sent from Manila.

## NO COMPLICATION

Americans Took Posses-  
sion of Cebu Feb. 22.

## ULTIMATUM WAS EFFECTIVE

No Truth in the Message About For-  
eign Warships Landing Marines—  
Sharpshooters in Jungle Continue  
to Fire on Americans—Soldiers  
Pay Less Attention to Attacks.

MANILA, February 27.—6:30 P. M.  
—No truth in the message which is  
being circulated here as to the  
landing of foreign warships in the  
United States and coming back to  
Manila to the effect that Admiral  
Dewey has issued a forcible  
ultimatum to the German naval com-  
mander.

## NEWS AT MADRID.

MADRID, February 27.—An official  
statement here says:  
The Spanish warships are disembarking  
troops and will leave Mani-  
la for Zamboanga, island of  
Mindanao.

The government has received a long  
letter from General Rios at Manila,  
demanding to inspect its contents.

El Imparcial, which asserts that it  
is impossible to know the truth of  
the situation at Manila, says:  
There is constant fighting between  
the Americans and the rebels. The con-  
tingent of the latter  
and the anxiety to the  
Americans, who are not concerned  
that the war will be a long and  
disrupt one. This is the greatest  
danger among foreigners in Manila,  
and the command of the foreign  
warships have decided to land forces  
to protect the subjects.

## ANXIOUS TO SURRENDER.

MANILA, February 27.—5 P. M.  
—Two commissioners who have re-  
turned from Manila under a flag of  
truce report that the rebels are anxi-  
ous to surrender. They also express  
the belief that Admiral Dewey is inclined  
to accept peace overtures. General  
O'Donoghue has received the commis-  
sioners.

## THEY KEEP IT UP.

MANILA, February 27.—Noon.—  
The shooting and volleys and some in-  
cidents along the river  
between Calocan along the river  
and in the vicinity of San Pedro  
Macabulos was quiet along the entire  
front. Sharpshooters at  
Calocan continue to annoy the sol-  
diers with the machine, but the Ameri-  
cans do not pay much attention to  
them. During the night the men are  
satisfied with the enemy's salutes,  
but a majority remain undisturbed.  
The Manila situation quiet prevails.

The American companies have decided  
to accept the war risk at an additional  
premium of 10 per cent per month.

## SUNDAY NEWS.

### CEBU CAPITULATED FEB. 22.

MANILA, February 27.—6:30 P. M.  
—According to the advices brought  
this morning by the steamer Neustra  
Senora del Carmen, whose arrival  
brought the news that the American  
flag had been raised over the island of  
Cebu, the United States gunboat  
Petrel, Commander C. Cornwell,  
visited Cebu on February 22. Com-  
mander Cornwell sent an ultimatum  
to the rebels, declaring the intention of  
the Americans to take possession peace-  
fully if possible, by force if necessary.

The rebels immediately vacated, tak-  
ing their guns to the hills.

A party of marines and blue jackets  
was landed, and the American flag  
was raised by them over the govern-  
ment building, which they still occu-  
pied when the Neustra Senora del  
Carmen left.

A battalion of the 3d regulars left  
for Cebu today by the United States  
transport Pennsylvania.

The same steamer brought dis-  
patches from Brigadier General Miller  
at Iloilo to Major General Otis, re-  
porting that all was quiet there; that  
there had been no further fighting;  
that confidence had been restored and  
business was being generally resumed.

General Miller thinks it probable  
that the natives will soon become con-  
vinced of the error of opposing the  
inevitable, and that the example set  
by the inhabitants of Negros is having  
its effect among the other islands,  
which, though not entirely convinced  
are in General Miller's opinion, open  
to reason.

All is quiet this afternoon inside  
and outside of Manila except near  
Calocan, where the enemy's sharp-  
shooters continue to annoy our troops  
at a comparatively close range.

One man of the 30th Kansas Volun-  
teers was killed.

At Mariguina village, which was  
burned last night, four were wounded  
in the skirmish, one of the Idaho, one  
of the Minnesota and two of the  
Pennsylvania volunteer regiments.

No such emergency exists here as is  
presented by reports circulated in the  
United States and cabled back to Ma-  
nila, to the effect that Admiral Dewey  
has had a collision of a forcible char-  
acter with the German naval com-  
mander.

## DENIAL AT WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—The  
government officials here discredit the  
statement from Madrid that the for-  
eign warships are disembarking troops  
at Manila. Spanish sources of informa-  
tion respecting affairs in the Philippine  
Islands, they say, are not to be relied  
upon, as the press and people of Spain  
do not hesitate to circulate statements  
inimical to the interests of this coun-  
try.

## SMALLPOX AT MANILA.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—Gen-  
eral Otis reports that 11 men died at  
Manila during the past week from dis-  
eases, of which six died from small-  
pox and five from wounds received in  
action.

General Brooks reports four deaths  
at Camp Columbia, Cuba, on Feb-  
ruary 24, including Lieut. S. F. Mc-  
Knight of the 9th Illinois, who was  
killed on the railroad.

## COAL OUTPUT

For the State of Illinois  
for the Year 1898.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL., February 27.  
—The annual coal report of the state  
has just been issued by the state board  
of labor statistics. Sangamon county  
ranked first in the production of coal  
in 1898, with St. Clair second in rank.  
The total output of the mines of the  
state was 18,599,299 tons, while the  
estimated capacity of the mines with  
their present equipment is more than  
double this amount. The average  
number of miners employed was 26,580  
and the average number of other em-  
ployes was 8506. Seventy-five miners  
were accidentally killed and 438 were  
injured.

## A FARMER'S DEATH.

TAYLORVILLE, ILL., February 27.  
—Jefferson Robertson, a prominent  
farmer residing five miles southeast of  
this city, was drowned in Flat Branch  
creek, near his home about midnight  
Saturday night. He and his nephew,  
Edward Meeker, drove into the creek  
where the abutment of the bridge had  
been washed away. Robertson was  
about 60 years old. Meeker escaped.

## MRS. JOHN A. LOGAN ILL.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—Mrs.  
John A. Logan is seriously ill at her  
home in this city. She is suffering  
from a second attack of grip. She has  
been unable to leave her room for  
more than a week and her condition  
causes much alarm.

## OPPOSITION TO GEN. ALGER

May Cause a Change in Cab-  
inet Membership.

Comments at Washington on the  
Secretary of War—Worry  
for the President.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—With  
increasing freedom discussion goes on  
about Secretary Alger's continuance  
in the cabinet. That he deeply regrets  
this agitation, the president shows in  
the little he has said to very intimate  
friends about it. So long as the at-  
tacks upon "Algerism," whatever that  
may be, were confined to Democratic  
newspapers and Democratic congress-  
men, the president paid little attention  
to them. But the Boston affair and  
the quickly following stand by certain  
Republicans of high position for a  
change in the head of the war depart-  
ment, have created a feeling of dis-  
turbance in the president's mind.

It was alleged that hisses and cries  
of "Beef," "Beef," were heard as  
Secretary Alger passed along in the  
procession at Boston. The newspapers  
so stated and located the places where  
the insults were applied. The presi-  
dent did not observe the incidents. He  
has, since returning to Washing-  
ton, inquired of other members of his  
party if they noticed them. He has  
said he was under the impression that  
next to Secretary Long, Secretary  
Alger was cheered more in Boston  
than any other member of the cabinet.

The newspaper reports of the alleged  
evidences of popular disfavor toward  
Secretary Alger furnished the inspira-  
tion or occasion for open expressions  
of the wish that a change might  
occur in the cabinet. The expressions  
have been repeated to the president.  
They made the basis for the most  
recent rumor that Secretary Alger was  
about to resign.

What was calculated to impress the  
president most was something which  
occurred last week in connection with  
the army legislation. Several Repub-  
lican senators were strongly averse to  
the proposed alternative of army legi-  
lation or an extra session. Various  
reasons were given for the position  
taken. Among them was the opposi-  
tion to the present secretary. There  
were Republican senators who felt  
that the personality of the head of the  
war department was a handicap to  
army reorganization. Information to  
this effect was permitted to reach the  
president's ears.

Some of the prominent Republicans  
who were in this movement to induce  
a change in the war department dis-  
claim any personal feelings. They  
claim that they are not unfriendly to  
Secretary Alger, but are acting in  
line with what they consider the best  
interests of the Republican party.  
They are telling the president that  
public sentiment, whether entirely  
just or not, calls for a new secretary  
of war, and is entitled to considera-  
tion. They are urging that the change  
shall be made, not at once, but before  
the next Congress meets. The secre-  
tary does not treat the situation so  
lightly as some of the expressions  
attributed to him in answering ques-  
tions about resignation rumors seem  
to indicate. He knows the sources of  
the opposition to him and the strength  
of it. He has no idea of a voluntary  
tender of his resignation, but of course  
if by the president will bring it. As  
to the president's course, nothing can  
be fairly predicted. The immediate  
indications are that Secretary Alger  
will go out for some months.

## CAPITAL \$3,500,000.

DAYTON, OHIO, February 27.—  
The American Last company has been  
incorporated with capital \$3,500,000.  
Options have already been secured on  
the leading last plants of the country.

## MORTUARY.

BROOKLYN, N. Y., February 27.  
—A dispatch from Hot Springs, Va.,  
announces the death of Congressman  
Dennis M. Harlay, Republican, of the  
3d New York district.

## KIPLING'S CASE ILL IN NEW YORK

The Famous Author Making a  
Brave Fight for Life.

His Condition Causes Much Solicitude  
—Doctors and Personal Friends  
in Constant Atten-  
dance.

NEW YORK, February 27.—Rud-  
yard Kipling was watched closely all  
night and there were physicians in his  
apartment continuously. F. N. Double-  
day, the publisher, who has been  
with Kipling since the beginning,  
is quoted as saying: "We are en-  
deavoring to keep him alive by ad-  
ministering oxygen and feeding him  
blood extract of beef. The crisis, we  
think, will come in the morning. It  
is safe to say if at the close of the day  
Kipling is alive, we may have great  
hopes of his recovery."

8:30 A. M.—Kipling's physicians  
issued the following bulletin: "Kip-  
ling has been during the night and is  
still very ill."

12 o'clock, Noon.—Later in the day  
Mr. Doubleday said the author had  
passed a better night than could have  
been expected, was visibly better and  
was resting easier at half past nine.

## QUAY'S TRIAL

Put Off Until the Month  
of April.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., February  
27.—On motion of District Attorney  
Tothordam the Quay conspiracy trial  
was postponed until April 10. The  
reason is not given. Counsel for Quay  
objected to the postponement and  
stated that they have summoned wit-  
nesses and desired an immediate trial.  
Judge Baitley, however, granted the  
motion.

Senator Quay on leaving the court  
room expressed disappointment with  
the unexpected delay of the trial. He  
declined to discuss the matter further.  
District Attorney Rothorn refused  
to state the reason of the request for  
the postponement. Shapley was con-  
siderably perturbed over the postpone-  
ment. He said there could be but one  
result—an acquittal. The prosecution  
placed much importance on the entries  
in the memorandum book of Cashier  
Hopkins which showed a number of  
credits to Senator Quay. Information  
has recently come into his possession  
which proved conclusively that these  
entries were wholly false. The in-  
vestigation had shown that Hopkins  
for a long time had been defrauding.  
Many entries in the memorandum  
book were made for the purpose of  
deceiving not only Quay, but also the  
officials of the bank.

Shapley declared that the few books  
of the bank in existence have the  
leaves torn out and the remaining  
pages are falsified and forged to such  
an extent that it is impossible to tell  
anything about Quay's accounts, or  
that of any other party.

## VANDALIA AGENT

Killed on a Curve Near  
Pekin Sunday

PEKIN, ILL., February 27.—James  
Ryan, agent of the Vandalia line at  
Mackinaw, and Van Wilson of Mack-  
inaw were struck by a train and killed  
12 miles east of this city Sunday even-  
ing. The men were on a railroad  
tricycle and were caught on a sharp  
curve. Both men are unmarried and  
leave widowed mothers. The bodies  
were brought to Pekin and an inquest  
will be held on Monday morning.

## DEATH RECORD.

LOREN BUSHART.

Loren Bushart died of a complica-  
tion of diseases at 4 p. m. Saturday,  
February 25, at the family residence  
140 miles south of Hervey City. The  
child was three months old and was  
the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bush-  
art.

AT THE POOR FARM.  
Lydia Loe, an old colored woman,

died at the poor farm on Sunday morn-  
ing. She was about 70 years old and  
was a woman who was taken to the  
county farm last summer. She was  
found living in some old boxes on  
North Franklin street and was in a  
pitiable condition when the county  
took charge of her. Death was caused  
by gangrene, a disease with which  
the woman has been suffering for  
some time past.

## FUNERALS.

The funeral of the little child of Mr.  
and Mrs. J. H. Hammond, who died  
Saturday, was held on Sunday fore-  
noon from the residence, four miles  
south of the city. The burial was at  
Mt. Gilead cemetery.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Barbara  
Wittig was held this forenoon at 9  
o'clock from St. James' German  
Catholic church. The services were  
conducted by Rev. Father Teppo and  
were largely attended. There were  
many floral offerings. The burial was  
at the Catholic cemetery and the pall  
bearers were as follows: John Frank,  
A. Hockler, A. Abt, Henry Acker, J.  
H. Buttonhorn and Albert Shultz.

## BILLY MASON

To Make a Statement in Opposition  
to Kohlhaas's Confirmation.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—The  
Senate committee on judiciary has  
postponed action on the nomination of  
Hon. C. C. Kohlhaas of Chicago, to be  
United States judge for the northern  
district of Illinois in order to give  
Senator Mason, who opposes the con-  
firmation, an opportunity to prepare a  
statement for the committee.

The committee has decided to re-  
commend the confirmation of Judge W.  
R. Day of Ohio, judge of the 6th  
judicial circuit.

## AMERICAN FRUIT

Admitted Without Examination into  
the German Empire.

BERLIN, February 27.—The foreign  
office has notified the United States  
embassy that the government will  
henceforth admit American oranges,  
lemons and raisins without examina-  
tion, and that all American fresh and  
dried fruit will be allowed to pass in  
bond through Germany without being  
examined.

## CUBAN ROBBERS

Taken Prisoners Nearly Cause a Fight  
on a Plantation.

HAVANA, February 27.—Owners  
of a plantation near Mariano com-  
plained to General Fitzhugh Lee that  
Cuban soldiers were carrying away  
tons of sugar cane every day for food.  
Major Russell B. Harrison, provost  
marshal, with 25 men, went to the  
plantation, caught and disarmed 25  
Cubans, others escaping. As the guard  
was marching back 500 Cuban soldiers  
came running over the hill brandish-  
ing rifles. Believing a rescue was in-  
tended Major Harrison drew his men  
up in line and directed a Spanish  
speaking soldier to warn the Cubans  
not come nearer, else he would shoot.  
Followed by the Cubans the party  
soon took the prisoners and turned  
them over to the Cuban general,  
Rodriguez, for trial.

## Car was Opened.

A car in the possession of the P. D.  
and L., which was left standing in  
the yards, was broken into last night.  
The car was loaded with merchandise  
and some boots and shoes had been  
disturbed, but nothing was missing.

## Raised a Disturbance.

John Jones and Albert Cain were  
arrested today by Officers Williamson  
and Somerville. They were in Kin-  
caid's saloon and broke a glass and  
were generally disorderly. They were  
both placed in the city prison.

## Policemen Improving.

Officer Ed Koschenska, of the city  
police force, who has been seriously  
ill, is better today. It is thought that  
he will now rapidly recover.

Officer Bailey, who has also been ill,  
is improving, and was much better to-  
day.

## Final Report.

In the county court today E. D.  
Bartholomew filed his final report as  
conservator of the late Morgan Eng-  
lish. He reported the amount re-  
ceived to be \$1230.29, the amount ex-  
pended \$150.64, and the amount due the  
estate, \$769.65.

## Getting Better.

Forest Baker, the five year old son  
of Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Baker, living  
on South Hawthorn avenue, who was  
severely scalded several days ago, is  
recovered from the injuries he re-  
ceived, and it is believed he will not  
suffer any permanent results.

## THE RATIONS SINCE 1878

Always Canned Beef for the  
Soldiers' Food.

## COURT OF INQUIRY

Again in Daily Session at  
Washington City.

## DWYER AND McFEELY TESTIFY

Both Commend the Refrigerated and  
Canned Beef—Dwyer Said the Army  
at Santiago Felt That the Com-  
missary Department was Do-  
ing the Best It Could.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—  
When the court of inquiry into the  
beef charges met today Lieut. Charles  
E. Dwyer of the 9th infantry, testified  
that there were numerous complaints  
as to canned roast beef, but no official  
action was taken, as it was difficult  
to get anything in the way of ration  
to the front. The army felt that the  
commissary department was doing the  
best it could after the capture of San-  
tiago. The witness was stationed in  
the city and his command was getting  
refrigerated beef early in the day. It  
was always fresh and good. He was  
made sick once by eating canned roast  
beef in a stew, but otherwise his  
health had not suffered.

General Robert D. McFeely, retired,  
commissary of subsistence from 1875  
to 1890, testified that he recom-  
mended the introduction of canned  
beef in regular travel rations. Prior  
to that the men often suffered on long  
trips living several days on "cooked  
rations," which consisted of bread and  
meat without coffee.

Colonel Davis read the records  
dating back to 1878, showing that  
"canned fresh beef" was included as  
part of travel rations.

## THE NEWS

Judge Henry S. Greene, associate  
of ex-President Harrison in the trials  
of cases, and a life-long friend of  
Hon. Hugh Crea of this city, died  
at Springfield, Ill., on Saturday.  
Colonel Amos C. Babcock of Chi-  
cago, for many years a leading Repub-  
lican in Illinois, died in Chicago.

General Lawton, on his way to  
Manila on the transport Grant, by way  
of the Suez canal, has received orders  
to hurry forward to his destination.

The czar of Russia is seriously ill.  
Imperial Grand Duke Michael is  
now in charge of the affairs of the  
kingdom.

The saloons at Omaha on Sunday  
were closed, hermetically sealed, for  
the first time in the history of the  
city.

It is now stated that the 8th Illinois  
(colored) regiment will sail from  
Santiago on Thursday of this week.  
The 6th and 9th regiments will be  
mustered out of the service.

It was recently reported to General  
Leonard Wood at Santiago on reliable  
authority that a prominent Cuban,  
holding a high position in this prov-  
ince under the military government,  
had openly stated that if the Ameri-  
cans did not "get out" by July, Cuba  
would declare war. Needless to say  
the military governor attaches no im-  
portance to talk of this character.

## THE WEATHER.

CHICAGO, February 27.—Illinois:  
Fair and warmer tonight; Tuesday in-  
creasing cloudiness, with warmer in  
the south; east to westerly winds  
shifting to southerly.

W. R. C.  
Regular meeting Dunham Relief  
Corps, No. 3, W. R. C., tomorrow  
afternoon at 2 o'clock at the G. A. R.  
hall.

# THE JUNTA AT PARIS

**Filipinos Get Delayed Filipino**  
News from Manila,

**Which Gives Alleged Causes for Fighting and Estimated Losses on Both Sides.**

PARIS, February 27.—The Filipino Junta has received a cablegram dated Manila, February 24, giving the Filipino version of the outbreak at the time the city was fired. It says the fire broke out in the Chinese quarters during the Chinese New Year festivities; that the Americans provoked the owners by unnecessarily demolishing the houses; that harsh conduct elsewhere led to general fighting; that the fleet bombarded the suburbs causing the Tondo fire; that the fighting continued Wednesday and Thursday, the Americans becoming greatly fatigued while the Filipinos were reinforced; that the Americans closed Puente De España to prevent the Filipinos from invading the city; that the Americans fired on everyone standing at the doors and windows; that foreigners applied to foreign warships for help and a number of marines were landed when Admiral Dewey intimated that it was an act of hostility and said his ships would fire on any landing party; that indiscriminate street shooting was prevalent; that men, women and children were killed; that the bodies of 140 Americans were already collected and their loss in killed and wounded was 400; that bodies of 320 Filipino men, 445 women and 280 children were recovered in the streets; 500 natives were wounded.

## DECATUR MARKETS.

The following are the Decatur quotations for Monday, February 27:  
Grain—Shellabarger Mill and Elevator company pay the following:  
Wheat 70 cents per bushel; white corn, 80c; yellow corn 29 cents; white oats 25 cents; mixed oats 24 cents; rye 80 cents.

Live Stock—Danzeisen and Sons quote the following: Cows and heifers \$2.75 to \$3.75, steers \$1.50 to \$1.25, sheep \$3 to \$3.50, hogs \$3 to \$3.30.

Poultry—Quotations by Max Atlas: Hens and springs, 7 cents per pound; stag, 8 cents; roosters 3 cents; hen turkeys 9 cents; old toms 6 cents; ducks 5 cents; gobblers 8 cents; geese 4 cents.

Eggs.—Market is weak; eggs today brought 24 cents per dozen.

Hides and Tallow.—Quotations by Max Atlas: Hides 7 1/2 cents per pound, tallow 3 cents per pound.

Hay—Now Timothy hay sells for \$9 per ton.

Flour—The best grades of flour sell at \$4 per barrel.

## BIGET A FRIEND OF DREYFUS

LONDON, February 27.—An unconfirmed rumor from Paris is to the effect that President Loubet has removed General Zurlinden, the military governor, and appointed General Faure Biget to succeed him. Biget is an upholder of the innocence of Dreyfus.

## WILL QUINLAN HOME.

He Will Arrive in the City This Afternoon from Chicago.

Ensign Will Quinlan, who was a member of the naval reserve and entered the United States navy during the war, has returned home. He was on the vessel Sontherby and for some time past has been cruising in Cuban waters. The vessel has been taken out of commission and Mr. Quinlan has returned to civil life. He will visit in Decatur with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Quinlan.

Spring.  
As spring approaches I wish to call your attention to the fact that I am prepared to do painting, papering, balooming and in fact anything in the decorative line better than ever at reasonable prices. W. H. Spence. Telephone (new) office 827, residence (new) 615.—29-4tf

## Free Biters and Chibblains

Quickly cured by Banner Salve, the most healing remedy in the world. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krons, W. H. Hubbard.

## MONEY FOR THE ARMY.

WASHINGTON, February 27.—The House has passed the army appropriation bill.

**CASTORIA.**  
The Kind You Want Always.  
Beware of cheap imitations.  
Dr. H. H. Plummer

## TO GLORY ON THE BUMPERS.

A Boy's Trip Across the Continent on Tracks and Across the Sea to Manila to Enlist.

When the troops were hurrying to Santiago, two boys came to New York and tried to enlist. They were runaways from home in a western city. They reached here after a series of experiences on the bumpers and in freight cars. They were on the way two weeks. When they landed they were unwashed and unkempt and hungry, but they were spouting to fight. They were 14 and 15 years old respectively. The uncle of one had been in the navy in the civil war, and from him the nephew had heard enough to turn him in that direction for enlistment. The boys' first night in New York was passed in City Hall park. The next day they went to the navy yard, but met with no encouragement. In fact, they were told to leave, and not come back. They tried to stow away on a transport and were put off. They went to Camp Black, but could not "run the guard" to get in. They camped out around the edges of the place, living on what soldiers would throw to them now and then, until the soldiers went away. The two boys followed the lost companies that sailed to the ship and there they halted, because they could not do otherwise.

They returned to the city and took up their quarters in City Hall park. One night they called upon a newspaper man whom they had known in their town, asked his advice, and arranged for a loan. They were still enthusiastic, but had reached the conclusion that the government had more soldiers than it wanted. Still unwashed, still unkempt, still hungry, they turned their steps in the direction of the freight house and loitered there until they secured bunks on the bumpers and started on their return home.

The newspaper man who made the boys a small advance was reminded of the incident a few days ago by the receipt of a letter from Manila. It was from one of the boys of this story, and inclosed was a United States dime. An extract from the boy's letter follows:

"We were put off between New York and Buffalo 11 times in a week. I sold my coat to an Italian organ grinder for 45 cents and bought some newspapers, which I and my partner sold and didn't get stuck on a single copy. One day I watched a woman's baby in the depot while she went uptown and she gave me a quarter. There was a bottle of milk in the baby's wagon, and when the baby's mother came back it was crying for milk. We stayed in Buffalo two weeks, and walked to Niagara Falls, and stayed there a week. Then we started for Detroit on the bumpers, and was put off several times. And we was a week on the way. When we got to Detroit we went to see Gov. Pingree and told him how we had tried to fight for our country and the country wouldn't have it. He gave us some soap tickets and a quarter apiece, and told us to lay for more bumpers and get out of town. We was two weeks on the way from Detroit to Chicago. I stayed in Chicago a week, and finally reached 'Frisco on the bumpers. I got off at Denver 'bout the time the soldiers were leaving for here, and I traveled with them one day when I was put off. I left 'Frisco on a transport. I was hid away by two Nebraska soldiers. When we got to Honolulu my partner got off, and I reckon he's there yet. But I come on, and when I got here I was sick and they put me in the hospital. But I've got here and I'm enlisted. We borrowed 20 cents from you. Here's my half. Jim'll send his if he gets a job in Honolulu. When an American boy starts out to fight and die for his country you can't beat him, that's what."—N. Y. Sun.

## HONOR AMONG THIEVES.

The Unwritten Laws Are Strictly Enforced Among Italian Robbers.

Cases of stabbing are so common in Rome that the general public only notices them with the national shrug of the shoulders. On the Tiber embankment at midday recently two young men faced each other in silence, armed with knives, four or five other fellows stood by, forming a ring, while at a distance the people of the neighborhood, mostly women and children, looked on with critical eye. After a few passes one of the two young men staggered, fell heavily and died. The murderer and the witnesses withdrew, and then the women and children raised an uproar for the police. The dead man was a Florentine, 29 years old, named Emilio. After a day or two the other fellows, jailbirds all, were arrested. One of them made a clean breast. Emilio and the prisoners belonged to an association of thieves, assisted by receivers of stolen goods, who provided them with free board and lodgings when business was slack.

They have unwritten laws, mercilessly enforced. When some offense against the association is to be investigated a board is appointed and the party accused pleads before this commission of inquiry. If all are convinced that he is innocent, the court and the accused adjourn to the nearest wine-shop; if, however, all or any of the judges be not convinced, the party accused is to fight the dissentient commissioners there and then. Emilio was suspected of being a spy and appeared before a board of five members of the association to exculpate himself. He convinced four of his judges, but the fifth, a burly rascal, quietly uttered the formula: "I am not convinced," and drew his stiletto. Emilio had no knife, so they bought him one, and all went to the embankment, where the poor Florentine was murdered. Such facts are eloquent as to the state of the lower classes in Italy.—Rome Cor. Chicago Record.

## The Grip Cure That Does Cure.

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Don't miss hearing the band concert at the County Fair tonight.

—Dr. Clarence McClelland of Champlain is dangerously ill at the home of his brother, Dr. Silas E. McClelland of West North street.

## JURY WAS SHORT

Many Wanted to be Excused from Service.

FIFTEEN MORE WERE DRAWN

Prisoners Will be Arraigned in Court When the Jury is Impaneled—Docket Entries.

The circuit court convened this forenoon and a number of motions were heard. The prisoners were to have been arraigned this afternoon but the jury could not be impaneled. Thirty were originally drawn but of this number three were not served because they were out of the city and of the remaining 27 a large number wanted to be excused for various reasons. A recess was taken and in the meantime 15 more jurymen will be drawn and served so that those who wish can be excused. The prisoners will be arraigned some time tomorrow. The entries on the court dockets today were as follows:

### CHANCERY.

Thomas J. Sroggins vs. Washington L. Whitley et al; injunction. Leave to file amended bill.

Minnie D. Haley vs. Peter Haley; divorce. Appearance of defendant entered in writing.

George W. Chafco vs. James M. Aleup et al; bill for specific performance. Plea in abatement confessed and cause continued with alias and summons.

### COMMON LAW.

Stephen D. Fitzhugh vs. William C. Abel; case. Motion to strike cost bond. Cross motion to prosecute as a poor person.

The Middle Division Elevator Co. vs. E. B. Sanner; assumpsit. Motion by plaintiff for new trial.

P. H. Hunt vs. Lee S. Hall, appellant; appeal. Motion by defendant for continuance and motion allowed.

### HEART DISEASE.

Some Facts Regarding the Rapid Increase of Heart Troubles—Do Not be Alarmed, but Look for the Cause.

Heart troubles, at least among the Americans, are certainly increasing, and while this may be largely due to the excitement and worry of American business life, it is more often the result of weak stomachs, of poor digestion.

Real organic disease is incurable; but not one case in a hundred of heart trouble is organic.

The close relation between heart trouble and poor digestion is because both organs are controlled by the same great nerves, the Sympathetic and Pneumogastric.

In another way, also, the heart is affected by the form of poor digestion, which causes gas and fermentation from half digested food. There is a feeling of oppression and heaviness in the chest caused by pressure of the distended stomach on the heart and lungs, interfering with their action; hence arises palpitation and short breath.

Poor digestion also poisons the blood, making it thin and watery, which irritates and weakens the heart.

The most sensible treatment for heart trouble is to improve the digestion and to insure the prompt assimilation of food.

This can be done by the regular use after meals of some safe, pleasant and effective digestive preparation, like Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets, which may be found at most drug stores and which contain valuable, harmless digestive elements in a pleasant, convenient form.

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## MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT

Subject of Talk by Attorney McIntosh at the Woman's Club Today.

The members of the Sorosis division of the Woman's club listened with a great deal of pleasure to a talk by Attorney Alexander McIntosh at their meeting this afternoon. At the request of the ladies of the division Mr. McIntosh talked on "Municipal Government." That the enjoyment of the address was anticipated was evidenced by the large number in attendance. Mr. McIntosh said among other things that the problem of municipal government was one of the hardest that the nation was called upon to solve. Heretofore it had not been considered as a question of national interest, but that it was one of much greater importance than people generally supposed. It has been thought that it was purely a local issue, but that in reality it had a great influence

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Silk Waists in Black and all the fashionable shades of Taffetas, Black and Fancy Colored Satin Duchess,  
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## Glove Cleaning.

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on the politics of the nation. As local government is pure and persons who manipulated and are responsible for it are honorable men, just so far will our national government be pure; in other words the stream never rises higher than its source.

### On the Licensed Saloon.

At the First Baptist church last evening the pastor, Rev. S. H. Bowyer talked on "The Licensed Saloon and What It Means," taking his text from Neemiah V. VIII.: "And will ye even sell your brethren?" The minister pictured the evils of liquor drinking and gaming and made a strong appeal for the suppression of all that is injurious to the people of the community. He said the saloon should be wiped out.

### Broke His Wrist.

Anthony Remley, a man about 75 years old, met with an accident Sunday. He slipped and broke his forearm at the wrist joint. Dr. Wilhelmy attended him. Mrs. Remley a few weeks ago and injured herself.

### Blood Poisoning.

Several days ago Bert Morgan accidentally scratched his arm with a safety pin and blood poisoning has set in. Dr. Wilhelmy lanced the arm.

### Father is Dead.

Mrs. T. B. Ewing this morning received news of her father's death, which occurred last night at his home at Larned, Kan. She left this evening to attend the funeral.

### Slipped on the Ice.

Mrs. George Hamer of 957 East Eldorado street fell on a plank walk in her back yard about 8 o'clock this morning and received a severe scalp wound, several painful bruises and a badly sprained back. Drs. Parrish and H. C. Jones attended her.

## MAY BE NO SALE.

CHICAGO, February 27.—Friends of President Blackstone of the Chicago and Alton railroad stated today that the syndicate which seeks to purchase the road have secured only 40,000 shares out of a total of 220,000. The right to deposit shares will cease on Wednesday.

## LATEST AS TO KIPLING.

NEW YORK, February 27.—At 2:40 this afternoon the following bulletin was issued: "Kipling is still very ill. There has been no material change within the last 40 hours. He has not lost greatly since morning."

The County Fair will open tonight at 7 o'clock. Admission 10 cents.

—Miss Mays of Rev. A. I. Plowman's household is ill.

The latest evidence of sympathy shown toward the Salvation Army in Sweden is that the city board of Stockholm has handed over to the management of the army a public bath, which has cost the town some 30,000 kronor for fitting.

President Dwight, of Yale, has given \$100,000 to the university, directly or indirectly, and it is said that during the earlier years of his administration he took no pay, while serving at once as president, university treasurer, and preacher in the college pulpit.

The Colorado college was founded in 1874. In 1888 President Slocum took charge and found only 25 students in both college and the preparatory academy. Not one student was taking a regular college course. The professors numbered eight. In 1898 the college year began with a faculty of 32, of whom 24 are in the college department. The student body numbers 400.

Among the coachmen of Berlin are seven retired army officers, three ex-pastors and 16 nobles.

Fortunately the tax assessor is unable to list our hopes.

## WHY COUGH

Why cough and risk consumption, when the celebrated Dr. John W. Bull's Cough Syrup will cure you at once? It never fails to cure throat and lung troubles. For bronchitis, sore throat and hoarseness it is invaluable.

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Set of Teeth.....\$6.00  
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22-Carat Gold Crowns.....\$2.50 to \$5.00  
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To the Housewives of Decatur:

You will find in a few days receive by mail from Habicht, Braun & Co., of Chicago, an order on your grocer for a full pound package of Hoffman's Imperial Rice Starch, made in Germany—the only thing of its kind and quality in the world, having passed the most rigid health food inspection law of the world and pronounced strictly pure as food. As to laundry purposes the starch is the only flexible starch ever sold. We send you this package for a proof of our statement. Please take your card to your grocer and get your full pound package absolutely free.

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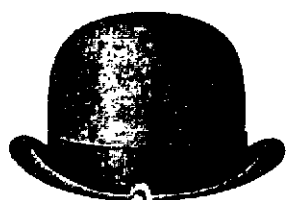
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Our new shapes in Fedora, in Pearl Browns, Nutra Manila Beaver, Otter, Mahogany, Mocha.

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## The ARCADE.

...Sale of Domestic...

Our great sale of Mill Remants is still going on and the values given are unmistakable. The great success of this sale last week is a sure indication of the values offered.

- 8c Bleached Muslin, yd 4c.
- Yard wide Muslin, yd 3c.
- Yard wide Percales, yd 5c.
- 10c Drilling, yd 5c.
- Yard wide Muslin, yd 4c.
- Yard wide Muslin, yd 3c.
- Pillow Cases, 5c.
- Pillow Cases, 10c.
- Bleached Sheets, each 39c.

### Clothing Department Specials.

- Odd Knee Pants 17c.
- Boys' Odd Suits 75c.
- Linen Collars 5c.
- New Collars 10c.

### Jewelry Novelties.

- Sterling Silver Lace Pins.
- Beauty Pins 1c.
- Cyrano Bead Chains.
- Jeweled Side Combs 25c.
- Jeweled Pompador Combs, 25c.
- Jeweled Back Combs.
- Silver Thimbles, 15c.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS.

We are authorized to announce George W. Stov as a candidate for assistant supervisor, subject to the action of the Republican township convention.

We are authorized to announce Frank W. Haines as a candidate for Collector, subject to the action of the Republican township committee.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Smoke the Little Joker—5 cent cigar Geo. W. Ehrhart loans money on any goods. Collateral, best rates.

Ed W. Hill & Co.'s Combination Sale, March 6.

You pay a little more for the clothes that Denz makes but—

California fruits at Glassner's, 143 East Prairie.

—Mrs. John Graham and daughter of Niantic were in the city today.

J. W. Weigand is being urged by his many friends to become a candidate for assistant supervisor. He will be a candidate.

There are many pretty things to be seen in the booths at the County Fair.

Before having your rooms papered call at W. G. Pluck & Son's and see their line of wall paper, 109 East North street.—6-dime

—George Fife of Indianapolis, who has been in the city visiting friends, has returned to his home in Indianapolis.

Ed W. Hill & Co.'s Combination Sale, March 6.

You can get your dinner or supper at the County Fair in the corn carnival building.

Visit the O. B. Prescott music house and see those Chickering and Packard pianos. They are up to date in style, quality and tone. Prices low.

Louis Hanks, the young man who was injured by being thrown from his horse directly in front of a moving street car last November, is now able to get about on crutches. He has no use of the injured leg, but it is thought that when it heals that it will be a trifle shorter than the other. Otherwise he will not be permanently inconvenienced by the injury.

Don't fail to see the slack wire walker, trick bicycle rider and vocalists at the County Fair vaudeville every evening.

**A Clever Trick.**  
It certainly looks like it, but there is really no trick about it. Anybody can try it who has Lame Back and Weak Kidneys, Malaria or nervous troubles. We mean he can cure himself right away by taking Electric Bitters. This medicine tones up the whole system, acts as a stimulant to the Liver and Kidneys, is a blood purifier and nerve tonic. It cures Constipation, Headache, Fainting Spells, Sleeplessness and Melancholy. It is purely vegetable, a mild laxative, and restores the system to its normal vigor. Try Electric Bitters and be convinced that they are a miracle worker. Every bottle guaranteed, Only 50c. a bottle at J. E. King's and C. F. Shilling's Drug Store.

### MARKETS.

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Feb.	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
May	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
July	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
Sept.	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
Nov.	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
Dec.	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
Jan.	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
Feb.	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
Mar.	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
Apr.	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2
May	77 1/2	78 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	1/2

**Receipts for the Week—7th Day**  
Wheat—73, Estimate 70, a year ago 134  
Corn—19, Estimate 14, a year ago 547  
Oats—21, Estimate 19, a year ago 609  
Barley—1, Estimate 1, a year ago 609  
Rye—1, Estimate 1, a year ago 609  
Clover—1, Estimate 1, a year ago 609  
Hay—1, Estimate 1, a year ago 609  
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**Sales of Real Estate.**  
E. V. Hale to Edith Hale Harkness, the south half of the northeast quarter and the north half of the southeast quarter of 10, 16, 1 east; \$10,400.  
Joie A. Bacon to Battie Gambon, lot 4 of J. A. Williams survey of block 2 in Gulick's addition to Decatur; \$500.  
Jacob Swartz to Mahlon L. Croninger, the east half of the northeast quarter and the northeast quarter of the southeast quarter of 28 and the south half of the southeast quarter of 21, 18, 4 east; \$13,000.  
Henry L. Lindsey to Thomas B. Gordy, 40 acres off the north side of the north half of the southwest quarter, also 20 acres off of the south side of the south half of the northwest quarter, all in 35, 17, 1 east; \$4500.

**Marriage License.**  
Thomas J. Richey, Austin township, 22.  
Alice W. Coun, Austin township, 21.

**A disordered stomach upsets the whole system. It is the starting point of many diseases.**

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### MINERS' UNION

A Meeting was Held on Sunday Afternoon.

MEMBERSHIP WAS INCREASED

There are Said to be 100 Members—Belief Among the Miners Seems to be That the Organization Will Grow.

Sunday afternoon there was held a meeting of the union which was formed by some of the miners employed by the Decatur Coal company of this city. On the Sunday previous the organization was started by Vice President Russell and Organizer Doney of the state union. At that time about 50 men joined the union and they were urged to endeavor to bring into the union as many as possible of their fellow workmen.

It appears that their efforts have met with some success as it is stated on good authority that the membership of the union was on Sunday increased to 100. The actions of the union are not discussed freely by the miners but it is claimed by the miners interested that the union will grow, and that eventually a majority of the miners in the Decatur mines will have become a part of the organization. The members will continue to work with the other miners and endeavor to induce them to join. Another meeting will probably be held next Sunday.

### "WEANED THE BABY."

A Convenient and Strengthening Food Drink.

My husband has for years been accustomed to use two cups of coffee for breakfast, and complained invariably of headache if he didn't get them just to his taste, but gradually he has had coming on him, a severe heart trouble and a spasmodic palpitating condition of the nerves, which weakened and made him ill.

For the past month I have made Postum Food Coffee for him in place of coffee, and not once since he began its use has he had any of the distressing symptoms. Our little daughter about two years old, takes Postum with an eagerness and thrives upon it.

We all like it better than ordinary coffee. My husband and I both consider it the most delightful and wholesome beverage for breakfast we have ever tried. New users should be sure and boil it long enough to bring out the taste. When I weaned my baby I fed her on nothing but Postum for quite a long time, and she is as fat as she can be. Mrs. M. E. Allen, 21 Aldie St., Allston, Mass.

Call at the Exhibit at the Indoor County Fair of the Heilmann Grocery Co., and investigate the merits of Grape Nuts and Postum.

### THE STAGE.

"THE CHARLATAN" TONIGHT.

The comic opera treat of the winter will be the presentation of "The Charlatan" at the Grand tonight. The company has arrived. The Boston Herald says that in "The Charlatan" "Souza is at his best, Klein is at his best, and that Hopper is at his best." The Herald also affirms that "The Charlatan" is the most tenebrous of Souza's compositions, the most brilliant of Klein's conceits, and the most positive of all Hopper's successes. This is the dictum of all the critics that have seen the new work on the road. The costuming and scenery of "The Charlatan" are said to be the handsomest ever seen in comic opera in this country. Mr. Hopper has been since he has been a star famous for the completeness and elegance and good taste of his productions. In "The Charlatan" he has a role which suits him even better than did the cowardly viceroys in "El Capitán." He acts the role of a wandering magician and conjurer, and manages to high passing off his daughter as a princess to get himself into seven tathoms deep of trouble. And Hopper in trouble is about the funniest mortal that man could imagine.

### COMEDY.

"Mr. Bennet from Boston" by the Gorman Bros. Company will be given at the Grand Thursday night, March 2. It is a strong musical comedy and will please everybody.

### QUESTION CORNER.

#### QUERY.

Eds. Republican: What is the difference between an American billion and an English billion?

Gustave Weinburg.

#### ANSWER.

G. W.—In Webster's International Dictionary, 1898, you will find the answer, which is as follows: "According to the French and American method of nomenclature a billion is a thousand millions, or 1,000,000,000; according to the English method it is a million millions, 1,000,000,000,000."

—Will Mitchell of Paris, Ill., will arrive in the city this evening to visit friends and attend the champagne.

### A CRAZY MAN

Arrested by the Police and in Custody at the County Jail.

At the county jail the officers hold in custody a man named Oren McKinney, who was arrested by the police on the levee Saturday evening. Mr. McKinney's home is at Linnville, Indiana, and he says that his father's name is George H. Kinney. He was picked up by the police because he was acting strangely. He would talk rationally for a time and then his mind seemed to wander. He told of having been tried before a jury of six men and being acquitted. He said he whipped one of the men who appeared against him and ran away to escape arrest. It is thought by the officers that McKinney was tried for insanity. He will be held until it is learned whether he is really insane or only temporarily so. If it develops that he is crazy his relatives will be notified.

#### Out for Tax Collector.

Frank W. Haines is today formally announced as a candidate for the office of tax collector for Decatur township subject to the action of the Republican convention. Mr. Haines decided some weeks ago to be a candidate and the fact that he is in the race for the nomination has become pretty generally known. And his many friends are enthusiastic in his support. No citizen is better qualified to fill the office of collector acceptably than Mr. Haines. He is a thorough business man of known integrity, and has always been an active Republican, who has marched in the ranks and has contributed financially to the success of party organization and triumphs in battles in the past.

#### Take the Children.

There are many pretty things to be seen at the County Fair. Everyone should go and take the children. The band plays in the evening and there is a vaudeville performance besides some fine exhibits. Anything you want to eat is served in the building. The members of Goodman's band who are giving the show want to make a lot of money. They have always pleased the people and now is the time for you to show your appreciation and attend the County Fair. The price of admission is but 10 cents and you will get your money's worth several times over.

#### Mr. Nachbour Will Marry.

Joseph E. Nachbour, the popular buyer for the Linn & Scruggs firm, left at 5 o'clock this afternoon for St. Louis, where on Wednesday he will be united in marriage to Miss Leola Mitchell of that city. The ceremony will take place at Christ's Episcopal church at 12 o'clock, noon. A trip to Mr. Nachbour's home at Alalissa, Iowa, will follow. They will arrive in Decatur about March 9 and will take rooms at the St. Nicholas hotel. Miss Mitchell has a number of friends in Decatur. She is a talented and beautiful young woman.

#### Dinner and Supper.

The board of the North Main Street Woman's Exchange will serve dinner and supper on Saturday March 4. A meeting was called at Mrs. R. P. Lytle's at 3 o'clock this afternoon at which the committees will be appointed and the arrangements for the dinner completed.

#### Song Recital Postponed.

Miss Burrows, president of the Musical Culture club this morning received a telegram from Miss Lillian French, the Chicago soprano, who was to have given a song recital in this city on Tuesday, saying that she was ill and unable to fill her engagement. The recital is indefinitely postponed.

#### Athletic Contest.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening the members of the gymnasium classes will give an athletic contest under the direction of Prof. Hotelling, the physical instructor. There will be contests in various lines of physical work. In about a month there will be a public exhibition of the gymnasium work.

### MINERS IN CONVENTION.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL. February 27.—The United Mine Workers of Illinois met in annual convention today.

The forenoon was devoted to speech-making. The convention will fix the mining scale for the ensuing year.

### VISIBLE SUPPLY.

CHICAGO, February 27.—The visible supply of grain is as follows: Wheat 28,920,000, corn 31,321,000, oats 9,369,000, barley 2,674,000, rye 1,564,000.

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### CHURCH NEWS

Harrison Revival to Begin on Thursday.

TEN DAYS' REUNION MEETING

At the First M. E. Church—Letter from the Evangelist—Other Churches—Missionary Society Meetings.

This week's event of importance in church circles is the arrival of Evangelist Thomas Harrison at the First M. E. church on Thursday evening, March 8. At the services on Sunday morning Rev. Frost Craft announced that Mr. Harrison had particularly requested that the meeting be announced as a 10 days' reunion revival. The evangelist is anxious that it be understood that the meeting will not be long drawn out, but that he expects active and earnest work and co-operation in the beginning. At the close of Mr. Harrison's work in Decatur he will begin a series of meetings at Washington City.

#### CHURCH NOTES.

The Young Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the First M. E. church will hold a bakery sale at Mrs. Emma Williams' millinery store on North Main street on Saturday, March 4.

The Woman's Home Missionary society of the First M. E. church will hold the regular meeting at room No. 1 at the church on Friday afternoon.

The second of the series of missionary extension lectures which are being given under the auspices of the Macon County Christian Endeavor union will be held at the First M. E. church on Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. Rev. M. F. Troxell of Springfield, will deliver the lecture.

The Woman's Missionary society of the First Baptist church will hold the annual business meeting at the home of Mrs. L. A. Buckingham of West William street on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The mite boxes will be opened, yearly reports read and the annual election of officers held.

The King's Daughters of East Park chapel will hold a meeting at the residence of Mrs. Walter Hatchin of West Prairie avenue on Friday afternoon.

#### HIGH WATER.

The heavy rain of Saturday made services at East Park chapel on Sunday an impossibility and the chapel could not be reached because of the water with which it was surrounded. There will be no services on Tuesday evening.

Rev. Dr. Penhallegon delivered the second of the series of sermons on "A Mighty Man of Long Ago" to a large congregation last evening. His subject for last evening was "His Call—As God Sees Him." The music was unusually fine. Mrs. Dunn sang "Now I Lay Me Down in Peace," by Dudley Buck.

The Woman's Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church will hold the annual business meeting at the church on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Election of officers.

The cantata "The Happy Family of Father Time," will be given by the Juniors of the First Presbyterian Sunday school at the church on Friday evening, March 3.

T. C. McIntyre will lead the prayer meeting services at College street on Tuesday evening.

Dr. Penhallegon will go to Chilton on Tuesday evening to deliver an address at the annual missionary praise service which will be held at that place.

The Woman's Missionary society of the First Presbyterian church will hold the annual praise service at the church on Wednesday evening, March 8. Rev. W. R. Allison of Bement will deliver the address.

### LONGFELLOW'S BIRTHDAY

Celebrated by Children of the Wood Street School.

The pupils of the sixth grade in the Wood street school appropriately observed Longfellow's anniversary today by the rendition of a Hiawatha program. The exercises were in charge of the teacher, Miss Eva Bizby.

Those who took a part in the program proper were Joaquin Ott, Bonnie Howenstein, Howard Arthur, Marie Morban, Nellie Martin, Harry Stadler, Mabel Jones, Helen Clark, Nellie Nolan. A trio composed of Ralph Baldwin, Olga Keck and Harry Stadler gave several musical selections. In addition to the normal program each pupil gave a quotation from Longfellow's poems.

#### Bethesda—The American Water.

This celebrated water is bottled at Bethesda Mineral Spring, Waukegan, Wis., and is put up in sealed half-gallon bottles and shipped all over the land in car load lots. Millions of these bottles are used every year and thousands of people are being cured of Bright's Disease, diabetes and kindred kidney diseases. It is prescribed and endorsed by eminent physicians and praised by all who have used it. Write for booklet. BETHESDA MINERAL SPRING CO., A. M. Jones, President, Waukegan, Wis.

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## MAYOR AND ALDERMEN.

The political activity apparent on every hand leaves no doubt that the biennial election, which involves the election of the executive branch of the city government is again at hand. The mayor makes are out in force representing every shade of opinion. They are all American citizens and like that genus homo every man feels competent to name the best man for the position, which the others are equally confident that the selection would be a failure either as a vote getter or as an official. This makes the work interesting and emphasizes that great fact, which is the inheritance of our democratic system of government, that the people would be hopelessly divided were it not for the great political parties which hold men of the same general way of thinking through principles and policies represented by the parties, together to accomplish important things. It also shows the folly of those superficial thinkers who assume they have discovered the panacea for all political ills, whether real or imaginary, in their advice to "vote only for the best men," when our notions as to who are the best men are as varied as our natures and our knowledge of men.

It is often argued that party lines should not be followed in city elections and township elections. This system may work for a time, but sooner or later it is dishonestly used by one set of partisans to the advantage of their party and the disadvantage of the opposition in the great campaigns where policies count for more than men. The best city government; the best township and county government, is obtained where strict partisanship is observed not only by the people, but by those whom they elect, and the party is thus held responsible for the failure of those they elect, or get credit for the best results, just as is the case in state and national affairs. The best effect of this system, however, is frequently lost by the promiscuity of men elected by a political party to the city council, board of supervisors and other positions to forget that they are the representatives of a party and then proceed on the assumption that they were elected only to represent their own personal feelings or their own interests, and often play into the hands of the opposition by electing or appointing men who represent the opposition to positions to the exclusion of equally good men of their own party. This is always inexcusable. It is an injury to one's political family when the political family is powerless to protect itself. This is always demoralizing and the only recourse the party has is to subsequently hold those unjust servants responsible who commit this breach of faith. The party always has within itself the power to apply such discipline, but to be compelled to resort to it on account of the acts of men it elevated to position and trusted, but who were untrue to it, is undesirable and unwholesome. If men who are so thoughtless could be impressed with the fact that the standing and good names of their party is in their hands, fewer men would be careless and inconsistent while holding office at the hands of a party and the people as a whole would get better service.

Recurring to the great interest shown at this time in the mayoralty question, it may be fairly asked why there should be more interest in the years when the mayor is to be elected than in the years when only aldermen are to be elected, and then only as to the office of mayor? Is it true that that office is more important than the election of all the aldermen? Surely men will seriously contend that it is, and yet many of the same men who are wrought up over the election of mayor give the matter of the election of aldermen no attention in the off years. A good mayor and a good council are desirable, but if you cannot have both, which is the more desirable? With a city council composed of good business men, as aldermen, transcendent qualities in the mayor are not so very essential, but with the best and wisest man available as mayor, with an indifferent body of aldermen, the mayor can accomplish but little. It is, therefore, a mistake to expend all the energy of reform on the office of mayor. The aldermanic office is of greater importance and should at least demand as much attention. None but the best of men should be selected; men who would prove a credit to the party that elects them. Men of good judgment with courage enough to do their duty under all circumstances and conditions. With such a body of aldermen the mayor need not go far wrong even though they were disposed to do so. So it would be well that, while looking for

great men for mayor that we do not lose sight of the fact, which comes up every year, that we need 14 men just as great in the city council. With such a condition of things we would soon learn not to depend solely on the mayor for everything and would be less inclined to hold him responsible for everything while the party that controlled the city council would be strengthened.

**MENTALLY AND MORALLY WRONG.**  
Louisville Courier-Journal: There were only 34 men in the House of Representatives so mentally impoverished or so morally feeble as to insist upon national repudiation and dishonor by voting against the appropriation of \$20,000,000 for Spain, as pledged in the treaty which we have formally negotiated and ratified. And there was only one man of the 34 who had the hardihood to make a speech glorifying his course. It was charitable that his speech was absolutely ignored by the House in discussing this bill, but it is marvelous, even in these days of petty politics, that there are 34 men in Congress capable of voting against the appropriation. A "dolt of honor," even among moral bankrupts, is considered sacred.

The Democratic campaigners seem to be working overtime to inveigle the Republicans into running two candidates for mayor. The corruption introduced into the politics of this county by Caldwell seems to have some supplements to it which cover the spring election.

Grover Cleveland and Carl Schurz are billed to speak at the same place on the same evening about their country. If these two statesmen had been conducting Moses' campaign to possess the promised land the Israelites never would have crossed the Jordan and so there is little to be gained for American push from anything they may say.

Colonel Bryan insists that he is opposed to McKinley's policy touching our new territory, but is there anyone in all this land who could even hazard a guess as to what Bryan would do in these matters were he in McKinley's place. "Echo answers No."

It was drawn out by the army court of inquiry that no complaints have come from the army at Manila as to bad beef. The difference is that the officers in command are making war on the enemies of the government instead of war on the government.

The Filipinos have learned that they cannot stampede the United States troops with fire or sword or both. Aguinaldo had better begin figuring on the day of reckoning. It is coming sure and certain.

There need necessarily be no serious question as to Dewey's request for the Oregon for political effect. There is plenty of politics in the Philippine end of the business and sooner or later Dewey will smoke out the culprits.

Gomez and his Cubans have at last entered Havana and have been honored as patriots and there is no cause for further complaint.

Filipino prisoners say Aguinaldo's army numbers 30,000. If that is all they had better come in out of the wet.

Thirty-four American greasers in the House of Representatives voted against the \$30,000,000 appropriation provided for Spain in the peace treaty.

Embalmers Beef Miles is not giving out any interviews just now.

**Lingering La Grippe Cough Cured.**  
Mr. G. Vacher, 157 Osgood St., Chicago: My wife had a severe case of la grippe three years ago and it left her with a very bad cough. She tried a bottle of Foley's Honey and Tar and it gave immediate relief. One bottle cured her cough entirely. Now we are never without a bottle of this wonderful cough medicine in the house. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Every man who says that marriage is a success praises both his wife and himself.

B. Prosser, Prosser, Kan., writes Jan. 25th, 1899: "Nothing like Foley's Honey and Tar" is the universal verdict of all who have used it. Especially has this been true of coughs accompanying and succeeding la grippe. Not a single bottle failed to give almost immediate relief. Everybody recommends it. Ship order at once, only have one bottle left. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

The hair about a horse's neck is his mane protection.

Mr. S. A. Fackler, editor of the Michigan (Fla.) Hustler, with his wife and children suffered terribly from La Grippe. One Minute Cough Cure was the only remedy that helped them. It acted quickly. Thousands of others need this remedy as a specific for La Grippe, and its exhausting after effects. Never fails. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

Hugging a lamp-post is very often a tight squeeze.

Paul Perry, of Columbus, Ga., suffered agony for thirty years, and then cured his Piles by using De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. It healed his hemorrhoids and skin diseases like magic. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

The nightjar has a larger mouth in proportion to its size than any other bird.

Actors are fragmentary individuals. They are always appearing in parts and the parts are in pieces.

If gossip would stop to think occasionally their tongues would get a much needed rest.

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## YES OR NO?

Decatur People are Respectfully Asked  
to Answer These Questions.

Is there anything in the evidence of one's senses?  
Is there anything in the testimony of one's friends?  
Can reliance be placed upon statements from people we know?  
Are the opinions of local citizens of any greater moment than those of strangers?

Would you sooner believe people living in some far-away place than citizens of your own city?

We think not, for home proof can easily be investigated.

Mr. W. T. Wainwright of 318 East Washington street, who is a painter at the Union Iron Works, says: "I had pains in the small of my back and joints and the kidney secretions were highly colored and painful. No doubt, stooping so much at my work and the small of turpentine and paint was the cause of a good deal of my trouble. If my condition was not serious it was at least annoying. I saw Doan's Kidney Pills advertised and so highly endorsed by others who had used them that I got a box at a drug store. After taking them for a few days I felt better and kept on with the treatment. In a little time afterwards there was no need in taking more for I had no backache and the kidney secretions were normal in every way."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the United States. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

## P. D. &amp; E. Change in Time.

Attention is called to the fact that the Sunday train on the P. D. and E. railway, which has heretofore left Decatur at 7:30 a. m., has been changed and now leaves at 6:45 a. m.—25-6c

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**Chronic Nasal Catarrh** poisons every breath that is drawn into the lungs. There is procurable from any druggist the remedy for the cure of this trouble. A small quantity of Ely's Cream Balm placed into the nostrils spreads over an inflamed and angry surface, relieving immediately the painful inflammation, cleanses, heals and cures. A cold in the head vanishes immediately. Sold by druggists or will be mailed for 50 cents by Ely Bros., 36 Warren Street, New York.

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Don't get scared when your heart troubles you. Most likely you suffer from indigestion. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat. It will cure every form of Dyspepsia. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

Never give up the good things you have while hoping for better.

Horrible agony is caused by Piles, Burns and Skin Diseases. These are immediately relieved and quickly cured by De Witt's Witch Hazel Salve. Beware of worthless imitations. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

There is always more or less danger in the tears of a painted woman.

Food does more harm than good when not digested. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat. It prevents wasting diseases and cures stomach troubles. It cures indigestion, sour stomach and belching, and allows a worn-out stomach rest. It acts instantly. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

Fortunately the tax assessor is unable to list our hopes.

**Cure for La Grippe.**  
Foley's Honey and Tar heals the lungs and cures the racking cough usual to la grippe and prevents pneumonia. It is guaranteed. 25c and 50c. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

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The smallest things may exert the greatest influence. De Witt's Little Early Risers are unequalled for overcoming constipation and liver troubles. Small pill, best pill, safe pill. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

Among the coachmen of Berlin are seven retired army officers, three ex-pastors and 16 nobles.

La Grippe is again epidemic. Every precaution should be taken to avoid it. Its specific cure is One Minute Cough Cure. A. J. Shepherd, publisher Agricultural Journal and Advertiser, Eldon, Mo., says: "No one will be disappointed in using One Minute Cough Cure for La Grippe." Pleasant to take, quick to act. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, C. F. Shilling, East End Drug Store.

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240 dozen of beautiful rolled gold plated beauty pins. These are the ideal fastenings for shirt waists and children's dresses. These lovely gold sets have never before been sold for less than 3 for 10c. Come and lay in a supply for the season now approaching, 1c at each.

(Not over two sets, 6 pins, sold to one customer.)

## 25c each.

50 dozen of new spring shirt waists—laundered—detachable collars, all colors—never before sold less than 25c. Your choice for..... 25c

## 49c each.

25 dozen of very handsome new spring shirt waists, worth from 75c to \$1.00. Your choice for..... 49c

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3 dozen of beautiful figured brilliantine skirts—with that lovely glossy, silky lustre—look like very nice Taffeta silks—handsome scrolls and geometrical designs, regular worth \$1.50 for this sale your choice \$1.49 for..... \$1.49

## For 39c.

120 genuine tailor made and high grade corsets—broken lines—yet collectively all sizes from 18 to 30—some sold at 75c, some at \$1 to close them out quickly Tuesday they go for, 39c

## Your Choice, 49c.

We have in stock 4 dozen of Warner's 338 corsets—4 dozen of Warner's 444 corsets—10 dozen of Gage Down (G. D.) Chicago corsets—all sizes—we want to close them out at once—you know what they sell for elsewhere. Your choice Tuesday only..... 49c

## The Celebrated Topsy Hosiery

20c Stockings 10c Pair.

20 dozen pairs of ladies' seamless Topsy hose—double heels and toes—genuine guaranteed 40 gauge—never before sold less than 20c a pair. Not over 3 pairs to a customer. Price for Tuesday only a pair..... 10c

25c Stockings 15c Pair.

30 dozen pairs of ladies' elegant warm fleece lined hose, the best value in the city at 25c a pair to close out this entire lot to-day they go for a pair..... 15c

19c a Pair.

25 dozen of ladies' very fine gauge, regular 35 hose, for Tuesday only..... 15c

Children's 15c Hose. 7 1/2c.

20 dozen pairs of children's elegant heavy ribbed hose—all sizes, 5 to 9—to close out the entire lot Tuesday, they go for a pair..... 7 1/2c

## All go at 15c each.

To close out about 75 ladies' vests and pants, Jersey ribbed winter weights—slightly soiled, that sold for 25c. Come and take your choice..... 15c

Ladies' very elegant 40c vests and pants..... 25c

Children's 35c Union Suits, go..... 15c

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50 dozen of Men's and boy's elegant 25c suspenders, Tuesday a pair..... 10c

Men's 25c laundered percale shirts, dozen, to close them out at once..... 15c

Tuesday each..... 15c

Men's very nice work shirts, light, medium or dark colors, go..... 25c

## New Spring Neckwear.

Ladies' nice all silk string ties, go..... 5c

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Men's lovely new spring neckwear, beautiful ties, sold in clothing houses at 50c. Our price Tuesday,..... 25c

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## MEXICO'S EARTHQUAKE.

People built on the sidewalks, a first time interrupted and Church services suspended.

When the earthquake struck Mexico City, the people were in the streets, and the first thing they did was to run to the sidewalks. The sidewalks were so crowded that the people could not move, and the Church services were suspended.

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## FOREIGN GOSSIP.

Fried wasps are a Chinese delicacy. The largest organ in the world is in the cathedral of Seville, Spain. It has 53 pipes and 100 stops.

The tongue of a young giraffe is considered a great delicacy by African epicures. The meat of the animal is said to taste somewhat like veal.

Berlin, with its suburbs, supports about one-third of all the physicians in the empire, and nearly as many as the whole state of Bavaria.

It is believed that the carrier pigeon was imported to Europe from Persia, and it became an institution on the continent long before it was brought to England.

As showing the great increase in the fruit trade of British Columbia, the Canadian Pacific railroad in 1897 carried 5,700 packages, a total of 75 tons, while in 1898 they carried 53,000 packages, or 350 tons.

While London has a lower death rate than any other English town of over 200,000 inhabitants, it varies very much in the different districts, being as low as 13.5 in Hampstead and as high as 27.5 in Limehouse.

The notion of self-defense is inculcated early among some of the wilder tribes of the Caucasus, who instruct their children as soon as they can walk, in the use of the dagger. First the little ones are taught to stab water without making a splash, and in course of time incessant practice gives them an extraordinary command over the weapon.

The worst scared people of the year just faded probably were those inhabiting the French isles of the Pacific, especially in Tahiti. The people of such islands as New Caledonia, Tahiti, etc., receive news from the outside world when it is months old, and the white inhabitants, being mostly French, are easily excited. New Caledonia is a convict settlement of the French government, where there are thousands of exiled criminals. This made an exceedingly anxious time for the respectable inhabitants of the principal town, Noumea, during their war scare.

At Tahiti, the officers of the French transport ship Aube, hearing of the war talk between their country and England several weeks after it started, became disturbed at the movements and signaling of several foreign vessels, and straightway ordered all harbor and lighthouse lights out, and began collecting and carting all stores into the country, the work being carried on at night. To heighten the scare several of the crew of an American ship went on a spree and started a row in the market place at Papeete, and the natives joining in, the fight became general. Then was spread the rumor that the English had landed and were "in the fight." More than half of the natives and a large number of French women and children made for the country, taking their goods and chattels with them, and have not returned yet, thinking that a terrible war is going on.

For a few days boats and cutters were kept busy taking emigrants to Moorea, a mountainous island lying 20 miles away, and the governor of Tahiti, the captain of the Aube and the military officers held a council of war. This council decided to make a new fort, the soldiers being started on the work in a pouring rain, the wet season having just begun. Everything portable from the Aube was landed and her guns were mounted on the new fort, and the vessel was prepared to be taken to the entrance of the harbor and sunk, a la Houston and the Merrimac.

The man who reaped the profit of the scare was Yankee timber merchant, and at last accounts he was still doing an enormous business, taking orders and saying nothing.

The sighting of the Ovalau, an innocent ship of commerce, caused intense excitement, as she was at first taken for the expected enemy. Just before this steamer turned up it had been decided at a second council of war to call out every man capable of carrying arms. However, the appearance of the Ovalau quieted things down, and peace promises to reign once more in the principal town, but the poor people who fled to the back country and the other islands will be some weeks in learning the situation.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

The Knowing Shark. A painful moment on board ship at sea is that when some poor mortal, who has died on the voyage, has to be laid away in the bosom of the deep with the simple ceremonies of an ocean burial. A vessel carrying a dead body and passing through waters frequented by sharks is almost sure to be followed by one or more of these fishes if it does not outpace them. Rather than bury a corpse while sharks are following the vessel the captain will sometimes have the body placed in the ice-chamber and full steam put on the engines until the hungry fishes have dropped astern completely. In one case at least a body was actually cremated on board by the captain's orders because of the sharks. But sharks are not often obstacles to prompt burial, and generally speaking, when a death occurs at sea the body is slipped into the water at night with none to witness the proceeding but a couple of the crew and the captain, who reads an abridgment of the service from the Prayer Book.—N. Y. Journal.

Fishing in South America. In order to capture fish, a South American tribe whips the water with the wood of a tree that contains a substance having a narcotic influence on the fish, which are then readily caught.—Chicago Tribune.

God tempers the wind to the shorn lamb.—Laurence Sterne.

There is nothing which vanity does not desecrate.—Beecher.

Providence protects us in all the details of our lot.—Mme. de Staël.

Dispatch is the soul of business.—Lord Chesterfield.

Good Christians should never avenge injuries.—Chrysostom.

## FEMININE FASHIONS.

The Latest in Materials and Make Up for Up-to-Date Costumes.

The expensive silk-finished French crepons which are tentatively displayed show wholly novel and stylish arrangements of their soft, wavy surfaces.

Charming evening bodices formed of corded silk, velvet and point de Venise net, are cut out rounding in the neck, front and back. The centerpiece in front is made of draped net, and the forms each side are gathered on the shoulders, the fullness carried in soft folds to the waist, where it is laid in flat plaits. The bodice fastens invisibly on the left side under the folds. On the shoulders are rather wide bows of velvet ribbon, and all the sleeve there is formed by carrying a softly twisted band of the ribbon around the armhole of the bodice. A folded velvet belt encircles the waist and fastens with an ornamental buckle.

Very elegant founcings lace in point de Venise, Chantilly, old Flemish, real Renaissance and other choice designs in black will be used in the making of some of the most expensive toilets for dress wear for spring and summer. Not many of the models will be formed of the lace alone. There will be a deft intermingling with the flounces and applique pieces, of accordion-plaited ruffles, fan-shaped panels, ruches, and tucks of chiffon, net, or mousseline de soie; and on extremely elaborate gowns there will be an additional effect produced by the richest of jet trimmings.

The new watered silks are very handsome in coloring and effect, many of the more expensive grades being woven with a floral design on shaded silks. The French goods are in every instance most pliable, being as soft and easy to manipulate as satin royal.

Chenille dots, lines, bars, splitters, etc., are introduced with rich and novel effects on silk, satin, sheer wool cloth, and silk and wool fabrics for the spring and summer, and separate chenille bands, fringes, points, and many other new decorations are used as trimmings. Not only do these soft, light garnitures come in black, brown, and other monochromes, but there are brought out very handsome floral, scroll, lace, and other designs in pretty color combinations. Bands of these trimmings are in various widths, the broadest being used for revers, bolero effects, gimpes, vest fronts, and panel and tunic edgings.—N. Y. Post.

NOT IN MENTAL HARMONY.

Why Little Charley's Flood of Questions Annoyed His Literary Mother.

One of the leading clubwomen of Chicago has been preparing a paper on "The Possibilities of Establishing Mental Harmonies That Insure Broader Wisdom." She has read a lot of books on philosophy and psychology and theosophy. Her preparation for the paper naturally makes her feel that she possesses more than ordinary knowledge, and she sat down to her desk one day recently to begin the process of writing out the thoughts and facts she has carefully accumulated. She was still busy with her introductory sentences when her five-year-old son said: "Mamma, what makes ice slippery?"

"Charles, don't ask foolish questions," said the clubwoman, "and remember, you are to call me 'mother.'"

"If I'm your only son when you're my mamma, what relation am I to you when you're my mother?"

"Hush, Charles; don't talk; look out of the window," advised the preoccupied writer.

Charles looked out of the window for two minutes, then he inquired: "Mamma—no, I mean, mother—why do all the birds that sit on telegraph wires have their tails turned the same way?"

"I don't know," came from the desk. "It's snowing, mamma; does snow come from heaven?"

"Yes, dear," was the answer, given in a far-away tone. The first theory concerning mental harmonies was being inscribed.

"Do they use snowplows in heaven and do the angels have to wear fur capes on their wings?" was the next question.

The clubwoman rose from her desk. "Charles, go upstairs to your nurse," she commanded, in a tone that made the child edge toward the door.

"I have just lots more questions I want to ask you," he said, putting his hands behind his back, and looking up at her. "I've been saving them for such a long time 'cause you're never home. I wanted to know why Uncle John's hair comes out on top of his head; what makes elevators go, and why the bread rises, and where the electric light comes from, and what makes my heart beat, and why old ladies kiss me, and—"

But the library door closed behind Charles, who had not attained mental harmony with his mother or broader wisdom in everyday things.—Chicago Inter Ocean.

German Cherry Cake. Cut half a pound of white bread into slices, and set these to soak in cold milk until they have absorbed all the moisture they can take up. Then press out the milk, mash up the soaked bread, and amalgamate with it two ounces of pounded sweet almonds, six beaten eggs, a quarter of a pound of butter beaten to a cream, and a small teaspoonful of powdered cinnamon. Lastly, add a pound and a half of preserved cherries, cut into halves. Butter a flat, large cake tin, and fill with the mixture. Sprinkle sugar and a mixed handful of sliced blanched almonds and cinnamon over the top, and bake the cake in a slow, moderate oven.—Boston Globe.

A Moscow Market. The best, biggest, dirtiest and most peculiar fair is the Lousie market of Moscow. Not a pretty name, but one that must be written because it is eminently descriptive. This market is also perennial, but is at its best on Sundays in the summer. It is held beside the walls on their inner side, and one may buy there anything from costly jewelry to worn-out boots, from rare old wine to the sifted emptings of ash barrels.—Dunbar's Magazine.

## LIFE IN THE MILLS.

Physical Effects of Child Labor in Lancashire—Quoted Children.

It was customary some years ago to put children who were only eight years old at work in the factories of Lancashire, England. Then the law stepped in, and said that no one under ten should be employed in the cotton mills. Eleven is now the age that must be attained before the youngsters can go to work there. Nevertheless, careful comparisons between the children of the mill country and of other parts of England, and even between the children who are employed in the factories and those who are not in the same community, indicates that going to work at such an early age in this particular industry is injurious to health.

This subject has just been investigated by a correspondent of the London Daily News. He declares that the difference between the typical Lancashire folk of the rural districts and of the mill towns in respect to height, form, complexion and vigor is astonishing. The former are well built, broad-chested, muscular, of lofty stature and elastic step, while the residents of the factory towns are stunted, pale and degenerate in size and vigor. Obvious as this disparity is among adults, the difference is already apparent among the children. This fact suggests that a large part of the unwholesome state of things observed is attributed to the employment of the youngsters at too tender an age. Even though they are permitted to work only half as long as the older operatives, the conditions of their lives are not conducive to health and growth.

In Heywood, for instance, the News correspondent looked at 2,500 "half-timers" and then at 2,000 children that go to school all day, and consequently do not work in the mills at all. Here it was found that scarcely any of the half-timers had a healthy appearance. Measurements showed that their average weight was about 11 per cent. below the average of other children at the age of 12, 16 per cent. at 13, 19 per cent. at 14 and 26 1/4 per cent. at 15. The difference in height was about two inches in favor of the average school-boy at the age of 11 and three inches at 13.

When the "half-timers" were questioned as to their health, they complained a good deal of headache and toothache. They said they did not like the heat of the mills nor the dust that was continually flying about.

A local physician who had made a special study of mill life said to the News correspondent that the atmosphere of the factories had a good deal to answer for. The temperature in the mills was often kept at 95 degrees for days at a time. The dust which fills the air is very fine, and almost undiscernible, except as one sees it in a sunbeam. This dust causes a choking sensation, and promotes bronchitis. There has been talk about the operatives wearing "respirators" to filter out the dust from the air before the latter is inhaled. But this is impracticable. Another cause of sickness is the effluvia that is generated in rooms which are seldom ventilated, and in which the air is breathed over and over again. How can the blood be purified and life be imparted to the operatives under such conditions?

Tea drinking is also held responsible for a good deal of harm among the children. Tea is a temperance beverage, and therefore the people never consider it injurious. The children are allowed to drink it in unlimited quantities and at all times of the day. They usually take it to excess. This evil, however, is chargeable not to the mill-owners, but to the parents of the "half-timers."

It would be interesting to know how far the situation here pictured is paralleled in the factory villages and mill towns of New England.—N. Y. Tribune.

An Honest Medicine for La Grippe. George W. Waitt, of South Gardiner, Me., says: "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills and grip and have taken lots of trash of no account but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50-cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturers of an honest medicine." For sale by H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone, W. H. Hubbard.

Brick Work Finished. The brick work on the Vandania freight depot at the foot of East Main street, which has been in charge of Cape Bros., has been finished. The contractors who have the job of doing the carpenter work will begin their work soon.

Millions Given Away. It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine, and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on J. E. King and C. F. Shilling, druggists, and get a trial bottle for 10c. Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed or price refunded.

Messrs. L. Bourne and Fred Wilbur of Galesburg arrived in Decatur this morning, and will take a six weeks course in optical work with R. C. Augustine, the optician.

**CROUP** Mothers, when your children are attacked by the dreadful croup, you need not despair; Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup will relieve and cure them at once. You can always depend on this marvelous remedy; it always cures.

**Dr. Bull's COUGH SYRUP** Will cure Croup without fail. Doses are small and pleasant to take. Doctors recommend it. Price 15c. At all druggists.

## LINN AND SCRUGGS DRY GOODS &amp; CARPET CO.

## A Sale of Black Dress Goods.

There's no sort of doubt about the popularity of black for spring wear. The greatest trouble will be to get enough of the sombre hued beauties to supply the demand.

We have bought immense quantities of black goods and for this week announce a special sale of black fabrics—a sale that intending purchasers really cannot afford to miss.

English Broadcades—36 inches wide—bright trustworthy black goods at a very low figure. An early visit will be necessary to secure these goods, at yard..... 25c

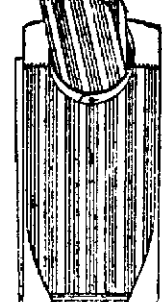
French Fancies, Pure English Brilliant and Finest German Henrietta—36 to 40 inches wide—a special leader for the Black Goods sale, at yard..... 50c

All wool Broadcades Soliela—38 inches wide—a fabric that is worth every cent of 50c yard—for this sale, yard..... 35c

Broadcades Soliela—50 inches wide—the richest black ever dyed—these same goods advertised by a leading New York City retail store at \$1.00 yard, bought at a special price and offered the same way, at yard..... 75c

## LINN AND SCRUGGS DRY GOODS &amp; CARPET CO.

## Men's \$1.75 Shirts for 95c.



What man in Decatur that don't know the "Monarch" and "Manhattan" Shirts? What man in Decatur that don't know their regular selling price? It's not a question of what we say—it's a question of what you know, this time. The very same of shirt making—goods that sell in every haberdasher's shop at \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

HERE'S OUR PROPOSITION.—About five dozen of these Shirts—Fancy Weavens with White Bodies and the "all over" colored sort—some with one and some with two pair of match cuffs—choice of the lot for... 95c

A NEW LINE OF FANCY SOCKS—the proper sort that choicy men wear—pretty patterns—cheaper than usual, 25c a pair.

## LINN AND SCRUGGS DRY GOODS &amp; CARPET CO.

## Opening Sale of '99 Ribbons.

The prettiest collection of airy, bright-hued ribbon beauty ever brought to Decatur awaits shoppers here this week. We're proud of the assortment and to make your visit more interesting, we announce a special sale of New all silk ribbon—No. 40 and No. 60—Stripes, Plaids, Polkas and Persian effects at yard..... 25c

The New Rosette Bows will be tied free of charge for purchasers of Sash and Stock Ribbons. Real Linnen Torchon Laces—New 1899 patterns—four very special lots offered Monday, at yard... 5c, 6c, 8c & 10c

## LINN AND SCRUGGS DRY GOODS &amp; CARPET CO.

## Stamped Linen Doylies, Special.

Just four lots to show you how cheap you can buy Art Needlework Materials here—headquarters.

Stamped Linen Doylies—7 in. square—worth 10c..... 5c

Stamped Linen Doylies—18 in. square—worth 25c..... 15c

Stamped Linen Doylies—22 in. square—worth 35c..... 25c

Sofa Pillow Tops and Backs—Stamped in all the new Floral Designs—special price..... 35c

## LINN AND SCRUGGS DRY GOODS &amp; CARPET CO.

## Pretty Summer Fabrics.

Every day brings new additions to our large showing of dainty wash materials and it is impossible to catalogue all the exquisite cloths now in stock. Better pay these new-comers a visit. Here are the names and the price tickets on some of the nicest ones.

Organdies..... 10c yd

Irish Dimities..... 25c yd

Scotch Zephyrs..... 35c yd

P. K's, Welts and Cords..... 40c yd

Satin striped wool Challis—cream ground and beautiful floral patterns, 30 inches wide. A leader in the Main Dept at yard..... 25c

Mouseline de Soie..... 50c yd

Silk embroidered fancies..... 60c yd

Satin Striped Kaye..... 85c yd

Magenta Percale—elegant patterns in all the latest Spring shades—27 inches wide. In the south aisle at yd..... 5c

## LINN AND SCRUGGS DRY GOODS &amp; CARPET CO.

## Housekeeping Helps Cheap.

Most people buy where they can buy the cheapest—that's why they come here.

200 Damaged Tea Kettles. We have bought from one of the foremost manufacturers in the country 300 Damaged Graniteware Tea Kettles at 1/4 regular prices. The goods are just as good as perfect articles except that in some cases the enameling is crazed or chipped. We guarantee these kettles to hold water, and to-morrow morning they go on sale at these prices—No. 7 size 20c No. 8 size 25c

Cups and Saucers. White porcelain—set of 6 cups and 6 saucers for... 18c Limit of one set to a customer.

Granite Dish Pans—17 quart size for only..... 25c

Stone Pudding Pans—set of 3 (different sizes) for only..... 15c

Knives and Forks—Made with sterling Cocoa Wood handles—set of six knives and six forks for... 25c

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